INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO.1592

DATE: December 23, 2015

TO: Administrators of Residential Care Facilities

FROM: Iowa Department of Human Services (DHS), Iowa Medicaid Enterprise (IME)

RE: January 2016 Personal Needs Allowance Increase

EFFECTIVE: January 1, 2016

Effective January 1, 2016, the personal needs allowance for Residential Care Facility (RCF) assistance recipients will increase from \$101.00 to \$103.00 per month due to an increase in the average monthly Medicaid copayment amounts paid by this population.

There will be no increase in the maximum or flat RCF per diem rates at this time. The maximum RCF per diem rate remains at \$30.05. The flat per diem rate remains at \$17.86.

Please have your residents contact their income maintenance worker in the local DHS office if they have questions about the personal needs allowance or their client participation.